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Applicant: Carpenter et al.
Serial No: 09/498,950
Filed: February 4, 2000
For: ADJUSTABLE BINDING STRAP FOR SECURING A
SNOWBOARDING BOOT TO A BASEPLATE
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraphs to the specification with the replacement paragraphs as follows. Applicants have enclosed separate sheets of marked-up paragraphs indicating the amendments to the specification, with deletions bracketed and additions underlined.

Please rewrite the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 as shown.

This application is a continuation of application serial no. 09/062,968, filed April 20, 1998 entitled, "Adjustable Binding Strap for Securing A Snowboard Boot Within A Baseplate," abandoned, which is a continuation of application serial no. 08/886,917, filed July 2, 1997, entitled, "Adjustable Binding Strap for Securing A Snowboard Boot Within A Baseplate," now

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